HOLISTIC AND MULTILINEAR MODEL

by:
Maricel F. Barbasan
Lamao Elementary School

The Department of Education is looking for the learning style which will develop every individual to the fullest in order to become an asset of the society and future leader of the country. An individual who is fully developed in all aspects so that he could face the challenges of life and answer the demand of the modern world. In the quest of finding suitable learning style, there comes experiential learning style which could give the whole child privileged of learning while enjoying. This is different from rote learning.

A child learns best when he engages himself to the lesson wherein the cognitive, psychomotor and affective aspects of learning is affected because of learning by doing. According to Kolb experiential learning theory can be defined as the process whereby knowledge is created through the transformation of experience. Knowledge results from the grasping and transforming the experience.

Under this theory are teaching activities that support different aspects of the learning cycle. Reading a book or any informative materials, making observations, text reading, working in the laboratories and doing simulation games are parts of concrete experience while brainstorming, discussion, logs, journals and rhetorical questions are examples of reflective observation. Abstract conceptualisation happens when conducting lectures, making projects, analogies and model building and active experimentation for projects, fieldwork, homework, laboratory, case study and simulation. The participation of the learner on a certain activity plays a vital part on the achievement of its goal. The teaching-learning process is made easier because of it.
Experiential Learning Theory (ELT) provides a holistic model of the learning process and is a multi-linear model of adult development, both of which are consistent with what we know about how we naturally learn, grow and develop (Kolb, David 1984)

References:

Kolb, David, 1984, “Kolb's Learning Styles and Experiential Learning Cycle/ Simple Psychology” Retrieved from: https://www.simplypsychology.org/lear...